GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Theft of Gold
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the gold and other precious items seized over a period of time and kept in various Customs vaults including IGI Airport etc., have been stolen or replaced with fake gold/ precious items and if so, the details of such incidents reported during the last three years and the current year, commissionerate-wise;

(b) whether any high level committee constituted to enquire into the matter and also took note of inventory/stock of gold in the Customs vaults at the airports and if so, the findings thereof;

(c) the details of inspections carried out at the Customs vaults of the airports and the observations/recommendations thereof; and

(d) the follow-up action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to prevent such malpractices in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.